

REMARKS

Claim Amendments

Claims 1 to 8 and 11 to 14 are presently in the application. Claims 9 and 10 have been cancelled without prejudice. The claims have been amended for clarity and to correct antecedent issues. Support for the amendments can be found in the specification as originally filed, such as paragraphs [0011] and [0047]. No new subject matter has been added.

Examiner Interview

The Applicant graciously thanks the Examiner for her time during the telephone interview of August 30, 2011. A substance of the interview is being provided herewith, as per §713.04 of the MPEP.

1. The telephone interview of August 30, 2011 was initiated by the Applicant.
2. The participants for the telephone interview were KC Verdi, Patent Examiner; Alexandra Daoud, Agent of Record; Stephane Maurice, inventor; and Meriem Debbih, representative of the Applicant Matrox Electronics Systems Ltd.
3. A proposed claim amendment was provided during the interview.
4. Only claim 1 was discussed during the interview.
5. The prior art discussed was Baertsch et al. (US Patent No. 6,470,071), Wilt (US Patent No. 7,234,144) and Nabekura (US Patent No. 5,530,815).
6. An agreement was reached with the Examiner that the proposed claim amendment overcomes the present rejection.

Claim Objections – 35 USC §112

Claims 4-6 and 8-10 are rejected under 35 USC 112(2) as being indefinite. Claims 4-6 and 8 have been amended and Claims 9 and 10 have been cancelled.

Claim Rejections – 35 USC §103

Claims 1-2 are rejected under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over Baertsch et al. in view of Wilt et al. and Nabekura et al. As per the agreement reached during the telephone interview, the present amendment overcomes this rejection.

Claims 3-14 are rejected under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over Baertsch et al. in view of Wilt et al., Nabekura et al., and Dingwall et al. (US Patent No. 5,530,815). In view of the amendment made to claim 1, the Applicant respectfully submits that this rejection is also overcome.

Conclusion

The Applicant respectfully submits that the application is now in condition for allowance and requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued.

In the event that there are any questions concerning this amendment or the application in general, the Examiner is respectfully asked to telephone the undersigned so that prosecution of this application may be expedited.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-5113. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any missing fee to Deposit Account No. 19-5113. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, the Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extension fees to Deposit Account No. 19-5113.

Respectfully submitted,

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